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Housing

Whenever possible, the City of Charleston looks for opportunities to increase its stock affordable housing: thus the impetus to consider it as a use for the Trolley Barn. Because this historic structure offers a large open space. while housing is comprised of a large number of small rooms, the match is not promising. This study examines the ways to insert housing into the Barn while trying to preserve a sense of interior open space, light, and historic character. For comparison purposes, we modeled affordable, market, and a combination of units.

Key Issues and Strategies:

*Create visibility to outdoor areas from all housing units by replacing existing infill buildings with green areas and court-

Preserve some way to experience the historic volume of the Trolley Barn.

Provide adequate parking.

Advantages

. Housing is compatable with the existing neighborhood.

Disadvantages

· High development costs to low/medium return.

* All housing schemes sacrifice the historic character and vol-

• No public use for this signifigant edifice.

· Generates little urban life on Meeting Street.

Program

п	Site square feet	78,900
	Affordable Building square feet Number of Units Circulation Space	52,500 31 6,000
	Market Building square feet Number of Units Circulation Space Market and Affordable Building square feet Number of units Circulation Space	41,000 24 6,000 41,000 24 6,000

Parking square feet 38 (parking plan 1B) Number of spots available

Number of spots available 30 (parking plan 1A)